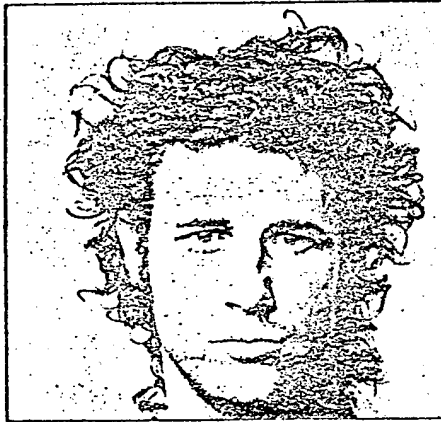


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Despite public claims by Charles Bates, FBI San Francisco bureau chief, that the September capture of heiress Patty Hearst and her two companions, William and Emily Harris, had "effectively ended" the existence of the Symbionese Liberation Army that first made headlines almost two years ago with Miss Hearst's kidnapping, new evidence discovered by three investigators now proves that the SLA is alive and well. The investigators—Donald Freed, California college professor and prize-winning author-playwright; Lake Headley, former police intelligence officer and chief investigator in the Wounded Knee incident; and Rusty Rhodes, executive director of the Committee to Investigate Political Assassinations—have turned over documentary evidence to ARGOSY which proves that a gang of 200 soldiers led by a man who goes by the name of General Khan, have been recruited inside the California prison system. There is also evidence that certain authorities within that prison system know about the army, have encouraged its growth for their own ends, and have helped to draw up a death list which has already cost the lives of 13 men.

These startling facts are only a small part of the overall revelations that came out after the parents of Willie Wolfe, one of the SLA members slain along with self-proclaimed Field Marshall Donald "Cinque" DeFreeze in a shootout with Los Angeles police, hired the three men to learn the truth about the terrorist group. While looking into the origins of the SLA, the investigative team learned that Patty Hearst was no stranger to the plan for her own kidnapping, that she had visited DeFreeze under a false name while he was in prison, and that she was having an affair with him while under the watchful eyes of his prison guards. DeFreeze, claims the investigative team, was a paid FBI informer who had connections with the CIA program known as CHAOS. What is even more startling, however, is that it was only fate that changed several of the SLA's plans for a reign of terror that included the assassination of then Vice President Gerald Ford, the blowing up of American oil facilities for an Arab nation, the threatened destruction of a major urban center by a nuclear device, and the murder of Black Panther leader Huey Newton.